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### **Brief Introduction Of Africa Rising Project and Sites**

The Africa Research in Sustainable Intensification for the Next Generation (Africa RISING) program comprises three research-for-development projects supported by the United States Agency for International Development as part of the U.S. government’s Feed the Future initiative.

Over a four year period to 2016, Africa RISING aims to contribute to Feed the Future goals of reducing hunger, pov­erty and under-nutrition by delivering high quality research outputs that are relevant to these goals. In Ethiopia, the main aim of the project is to identify and validate solutions to the problems experienced by small­holder crop-livestock farmers in the Highlands.

Through action research and development partnerships, Africa RISING in Ethiopia will create opportunities for smallholder farm households to move out of hunger and poverty through sustainably intensified farming systems that improve food, nutrition, and income security, particularly for women and children, and conserve or enhance the natural resource base.

The approach being followed requires the building of strong links between stakeholders, with local communities, extension agents, researchers, universities, local NGOs and the private sector working as partners, and encouraging farmer to farmer extension of appropriate technologies and new knowledge. These partnerships form the basis for development of Innovation Platforms at woreda and kebele level. The strategic Innovation platform at woreda while the operational IPs at kebele level. A total of four (4) Strategic IPs and eight (8) Operational IPs will be established to support the R4D activities of the project.

The project sites in Ethiopia includes the big four regions and these are South National and Nationalities People Region (SNNPR), Oromia Region, Amhara Region and Tigray Region. Four woredas from each region is selected to represent Ethiopian Highlands for Africa RISING project sites. From each woreda two kebeles selected to be the research site for the project (see table 1 below).

**Table 1: the Africa RISING project woredas and kebeles in Ethiopia**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| NO | Name of the Region | Name of the Woredas | Name of the Kebeles |
| 1 | Amhara | Basona Worena | Gudo Beret |
| Goshe Bado |
| 2 | Tigray | Endamekoni | Embahasti |
| Tsibet |
| 3 | Oromia | Sinana | Ilu-Sanbitu |
| Salka |
| 4 | SNNPR (South) | Lemo | Jawe |
| Upper Gana |

## **Term of Refernce (ToR) for Sinana Woreda Strategic Innovation Platform**

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Figure : Sinana Woreda Strategic IP members (photo by: Apolo Habtamu)

This Term of Reference as a draft was prepared during the establishment of Sinana Woreda Strategic Innovation Platform in Oromia Region on March 20, 2014 at Sinana with inputs from all IP members. The meeting was held at Wabeshebele Hotel in Goba.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of Sinana Woreda strategic Innovation Platform (IP) is to provide strategic direction, advice, support to and learn from Ilu-Sanbitu and Salka Kebeles operational IPs in developing improved technologies and practices and policies that improve food and nutritional security and generate income for rural communities.

**Local name for the woreda IP given by the members (In Afan Oromo):**

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### **Key Functions**

**Engaging for learning and sharing for innovation:**

* Community engagement and mobilization activities
* Actively participate in the learning and sharing of experiences among IP members
* Identification and prioritization of challenges, opportunities and encouragement of farmer innovation

**Learning from action on the ground:**

* Supporting the planning and implementing activities agreed by farmer groups in line with Africa RISING initiatives
* Organizing learning events and field days with farmer groups in collaboration with kebele IP
* Scaling out to other kebeles as appropriate

**Capacity building:**

* Support and backstop Kebele IPs and farmer groups in R&D activities
* Participate on Africa RISING related research activities with partners as required
* Identify capacity gaps around intervention and provide training for farmers (planting, management and utilization on new practices or new verities)
* Mobilizing local resources

**M&E:**

* With support from ILRI team IP members will design their own simple indicators to evaluate their progress towards achieving their common goal
* Monitoring and evaluation Kebele IP activities

**Documentation:**

* Establish Woreda level “resource center” to document the processes as well as research results (evidences) that will help partners for better planning

*It is envisaged that IP meetings will be held at least four times per year, reflecting the activities undertaken in Phase II of IP establishment. There will be one time field visit every year where all IP members will see and evaluate farmers’ level implementation. On the same time a field day will be organized by the IPs at kebele level not only to show what has been done on the ground to Woreda Strategic IP members but also to the wider farmers who were not involved in the IP works for possible dissemination of technologies, new practices and knowledge through applying farmers to farmers technology transfer.*

### **Members**

Typical membership will comprise representatives (focal persons) from the following institutions/organizations:

* Bale Zone office of Agriculture representative
* Sinana Woreda office of Agriculture (WOA - NRM, Crops and Extension)
* Sinana Woreda Livestock resource development agency
* Sinana Woreds Irrigation office
* Sinana Woreda Administration Office
* Oromia Credit and Saving Organization (WLQO), Sinana Woreda sub office
* Sinana Woreda Cooperative office rep
* Sinana Woreda office of Children and women affair rep
* Sinana Woreda youth and sport affairs rep
* Sinana Woreda water, mine and energy office,
* Sinana Woreda Health office
* Sinana Woreda Agricultural Growth Project (AGP)
* Sinana Woreda Africa RISING site coordinator
* Sinana Agricultural Research Center representative(s)
* Madawalabu University representative (s)
* Local NGOs’ Reps operational in the target Kebeles (HUNDEE)
* Ilu-Sanbitu and Salka Kebeles IPs representatives (Kebele’s office of agriculture head and chairman)
* Value chain actors
* Others…………*to be considered*

### **Leadership**

Sinana Woreda IP members have selected their own Chairperson, Secretary and Facilitator who will be also the Technical Committee members by their institution. These typically include a senior official from the Woreda Administration or Office of Agriculture as Chairperson, the Site Coordinator as Secretary and University representative or Research Institute as Facilitator. In addition an IP Technical committee would spearhead IP development and operations (See table 2 below).

### **IP Technical Committee (TC)**

Figure 2: Technical Committee members on their first mission in Gudo Berete Kebele

An IP Technical Committee (TC) has been established to guide the process of IP development and its function up to kebele and farmers group level and also identify value chain partners at Woreda, Kebele and farmer group levels. The TC members agrees to support finalization of IP functions and activities, governance procedures and guidelines for ensuring IP functions are undertaken effectively and update it regularly if need arises.

TC membership comprises members appointed by the Woreda IP and typically comprises representatives from the University, Research Institute, the Woreda offices, NGO(s) active in the kebele, Africa RISING site coordination office, value chain actors and others as they are identified (See Table 2 below). TC functions will mirror that of the Strategic IP but they are responsible to frequently meet and decide.

At any time the Woreda IP and/or the TC can formulate a task force to ensure action is taken timeously.

The purpose, functions, possible indicators and targets of each IP are detailed in Annex IV.

**Table 2. List of Sinana Woreda Technical Committee (TC) members and their roles**

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| No. | Full name | Organization | Role |
| 1. | Workalign Assefa | Sinana Woreda office of agriculture (WOA) | Chairman |
| 2. | Addisu Asfaw | ILRI- Africa RISING | Secretary |
| 3. | Ahmed Aliye | Madawalabu University (MWU) | Facilitator |
| 4. | Abdulnasir Yunus | Madawalabu University (MWU) | Member |
| 5. | Bekele Diriba | Sinana Agricultural Research Center (DBARC) | » |
| 6. | Shure Soboka | Sinana Agricultural Research Center (DBARC) | » |
| 7. | Debele Habebe | WOA - AGP focal person | » |
| 8. | Ehetu Adugna | Sinana Woreda Livestock Agency | » |
| 9. | Tesfaye Bekele | HUNDEE | » |

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## **Kebele Operational IPs**

### **Purpose**

Kebele level Operational IPs established to foster effective community participation and ownership during opportunity identification, planning implementing and learning to ensure sustainable adoption of improved technologies that meet farmer’s aims.



Figure 3: Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele Operational IP members

### **Functions**

The Kebele IP would meet regularly to support/facilitate:

**Engaging for learning and sharing for innovation:**

* Community engagement and mobilization activities
* Learning and sharing of experiences among members
* Identification and prioritization of challenges, opportunities and encouragement of farmer innovation

**Learning from action on the ground:**

* Planning and implementing activities agreed by farmer groups in line with Africa RISING initiatives
* Organizing learning events and field days with farmer groups

**Capacity building:**

* Participate on research activities
* Identify capacity gaps around intervention and provide training for farmers (planting, management and utilization on new practices or new verities)
* Mobilizing local resources

**M&E:**

* With support from ILRI team IP members will design their own simple indicators to evaluate their progress towards achieving their common goal
* Monitoring and evaluation of farmer activities

**Documentation:**

* Establish their own kebele level “resource center” to document all the processes as well as research results (evidences)

### **Members**

Based on a consultation meeting during the operational kebele IP establishment at Ilu-Sanbotu Kebele with potential members invited on 21st March 2014 a consensus were reached to establish the IP as the community found IP concepts interesting to improve their livelihood. The Kebele IP currently established with members mostly represent Kebele level institutions (CBOs) and these include Kebele office of agriculture, Cooperative, Microfinance, NGO field worker, elder and religious leader which were identified during the meeting. In the near future 2 farmers will be represented from each IP clusters (which will be established in the near future). (See Table below)

### **Leadership**

As with Woreda IP, Kebele IP have selected its own Chairperson, Secretary and Facilitator and form kebele Technical Committee. These might typically include a senior official from the Kebele as Chairperson, development agents and health extension workers as Secretary and as facilitator.

### **Technical Committee**

Kebele level Technical Committee (TC) which have seven members was selected and approved by the participants. Their role and functions will mirror that of the operational IP. The TC members will mainly play a key role in establishing the farmers clusters IPs and facilitate their implementation and experience sharing among the clusters. The kebele and woreda TC members will work closely as their roles overlap.

Figure : Ilu-sanbitu Kebele technical committee members

**Table 3. List of Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele technical committee members and their roles.**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| No. | Full name | Organization | Role |
| 1. | Kelil Ahmed | Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele Administration (head) | Chairman |
| 2. | Mohammed Amano | Sanbitu Primary Cooperative (DA-Coop.) | Secretary |
| 3. | Tigist Teshome | Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele office of Agriculture (DA-NRM) | Facilitator |
| 4. | Abebe Gonfa | Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele office of Agriculture (DA-Plant Sc.) | Member |
| 5. | Birtukan Tadese | Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele office of Agriculture (DA-Plant Sc.) | Member |
| 6. | Daniel Assefa | Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele Livestock Agency (DA-Vet) | Member |
| 7. | Belaynesh Dinku | Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele Health Extension | Member |

### **Regular meeting and frequency**

Members of Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele operational innovation platform agreed to have a meeting **three** times per year (Every 4 months). They also agreed to have **two field visit program (At mid & end season evaluation)** per year which is helpful for monitoring and evaluation on implementation activities at farmers field level.

**Table 2. Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele Operational Innovation Platform (IP) members and their organization**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| No. | Full name | Organization | Position/Job title |
| 1. | Wondiye Desta | Gudo Beret Kebele office | Head |
| 2. | Engdasew Abebe | Gudo Beret Kebele office of agriculture | Head |
| 3. | Kidanu Gebrehana | Gudo Beret Kebele office of land management & administration | Expert |
| 4. | Mulu Habtie | Gudo Beret Kebele health office | Health extension worker |
| 5. | Girma Lakew | Gudo Beret Kebele primary cooperative | Chairman |
| 6. | Tadesse W/Tadik | Yimsrach saving & credit association | Secretary |
| 7. | Etagnehu Getaneh | Gudo Beret Kebele women affairs | Chairman |
| 8. | Moges Deksiwos | Mush irrigation cooperative | Chairman |
| 9. | Genet Mengistu | Gudo Beret Kebele office of agriculture | Crop DA |
| 10. | Eshete Kebede | Gudo Beret Kebele office of agriculture | Livestock DA |
| 11. | Melkamu Dagie | Gudo Beret Kebele office of agriculture | NRM DA |
| 12. | Derse Belayneh | Gudo Beret Kebele office of agriculture | Vet technician |
| 13. | Mesfin Tadeses | SUNARMA | Extension worker |
| 14. | Soliyana Seife | Gudo Beret Kebele office | Cooperative expert |
| 15. | Tsdale Beza | Youth association | Chairman |
| 16. | Kase Tebibe | Mush Zena Markos | Religious leader |
| 17. | Woldemariam Akalwold | - | Elders |
| 18. | Farmers | IP clusters (which will be worked out in the future) |  |

## **Farmer Innovation clusters**

*These would be based on individual farmer groups, associations or cooperatives or other community based organizations and include men, women and young people.*

### **Purpose**

To improve food and nutritional security and incomes through increasing productivity of crop, livestock and tree enterprises of farmer groups and household members. *These would address priority constraints and opportunities identified in each kebele and identified in Africa RISING thematic areas.*

### **Functions**

* Testing of technologies that address challenges and opportunities identified by Kebele IPs of priority to each group including input supply, production, processing and marketing opportunities of crop, livestock and tree enterprises including NRM
* Appointing a person (model/lead/research/ host farmer) responsible for farmer trials/ demos
* Encouraging participation by other farmers in trying new practices
* Arranging local field days to assess new practices
* Evaluating demos/trials at mid and end-of-season
* Reviewing the process and planning for the new season
* Representation and participation on the Kebele IP.

An example of an end-of-season evaluation that includes a participatory budget is shown in Annex IV.

### **Participants**

All Members of existing and/or new CBOs and commodity based interest groups including men, women and youth groups.

### **Leadership**

Each farmer group could be expected to nominate its own leadership including Chairperson, Secretary, and lead/model/research farmer. Facilitation could be undertaken by a kebele DA initially supported by a member of the IP Technical group.

**Governance procedures**

We, members of the Sinana Woreda Strategic Innovation Platform, do hereby agree the following procedures for the smooth functioning of our Innovation Platforms.

**Meetings**

The following meetings shall be held as specified in the table below. We decided the meeting to be organized by the key institute listed in a round way so that we will ensure our collaboration and commitment.

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| *Scheduled meetings* | *Timing* | *Venue* | *Agendas* |
| Planning meeting | To be determined | Woreda HQ | To be determined |
| Mid-season, learning and review meeting | To be determined | Research Centre/University/Zone | To be determined |
| End of season, learning and review meeting | To be determined | Research Centre/University/Zone | To be determined |
| Field Visit to both kebeles | To be determined | Ilu-Sanbitu and Salka Kebeles | To be determined |

***Ad-hoc meetings will be convened*** as the need arises for adjustment in the planned programme. Ad-hoc meetings can be called by Technical Committee members.

**Procedures for meetings**

These will include:

1. Timeliness in attendance and conduct of meetings shall be enforced.
2. Regular attendance.
3. Orderliness in making contributions.
4. One week advance notice for absence.
5. Proper delegation of responsibilities when absent there should be a written or telephone notification or reminder to all members at least a week before the date of the meeting.
6. When 60 percent of the members are present meetings can be conducted and decisions taken.
7. The Africa Rising Coordinator will initially be the facilitator with the TC members who shall arrange for
   * participatory development of agenda of meeting
   * shall conduct meetings following the agreed agenda
   * be the convener of the meetings
8. Appointment of a secretary to document meetings who shall

* Ensure proper delegation of responsibilities if absent
* Early circulation of agenda and minutes of the last meeting
* Circulate the full contact addresses for all members
* minutes of meetings shall be taken by the Secretary of the IPMC and such minutes circulated where necessary

1. Africa Rising shall in the first instance finance the meetings with support from the Woreda and other participating institutions.

**Decision making**

1. A decision shall be taken by consensus or by voting. If the latter, the decision of a simple majority shall be upheld.
2. Decisions taken shall be binding on all members of the Coalition.
3. Critical issues requiring urgent attention should be communicated to every member via the most appropriate mean

**Data generation and management**

1. Research teams shall be established to address interventions agreed by the Innovation Platforms
2. The Research teams shall be responsible for generating data and helping to establish a “knowledge centre” for use by Innovation Platform members.
3. The Technical Committee shall provide guidance for the use of data generated, as provided by Africa Rising
4. All document/ publications emanating from the work of the IP will carry names of all IP members.

**Conflict management**

In the event of disagreements Coalition members will

1. Internalise resolution, where there are misunderstandings within the IP or between IPs, such disputes being settled amicably through dialogue between aggrieved parties.
2. In case of non-internal resolution, externalized by invitation of the Africa Rising Coordinator and the Technical Committee

**Meeting attendance and completion of work assignments**

1. Failure to attend two consecutive meetings without good reason will require explanation from the member, as to his/her continued commitment to IP work
2. Failure to accomplish two consecutive assignments on schedule without good reason will require explanation from the member, as to his/her g continued commitment to the team
3. Where the erring member is not deterred by 1 or 2 above, a letter requesting r his/her replacement shall be sent to the organization he/she is representing

**Responsibilities**

These will be the responsibility

* IP committee chair: to be determined
* IP secretary: to be determined
* Facilitation – Africa Rising Coordinator or delegated official
* Documentation – Research teams

By accepting participation in the activities of the IP, it is expected that members will

* Be committed, diligent and honourable.
* Accord due respect to one another.
* Be committed to the IP, its technical Committee and Africa Rising goals
* Participate in necessary team work and capacity building activities

**Agreed and signed by all IP members**

Table 4.List of participants of the Sinana Woreda Strategic Innovation Platform 1st Meeting**.**

| No | Full name | Organization | Position/Job title | Email Address | Telephone | Signature |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
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| 3 | Tesfaye Bekele | HUNDEE (Local NGO) | Coordinator | 0911364358 | tbekele52@yahoo.com |  |
| 4 | Hailu Arega | Farmers’ Cooperative Union | Manager | 0913146422 | - |  |
| 5 | Dechasa Nigussie | Wereda Irrigation office | Head | 0936257220 | - |  |
| 6 | Adamu Worku | Wereda Water, Minerals & Energy Resource Office | Head | 0913342737 | - |  |
| 7 | Kemer Kadi | FEDO?? | Head | 0912357346 | - |  |
| 8 | Eshetu Adugna | Woreda Livestock Agency | Fattening Expert | 0912265493 | - |  |
| 9 | Bekele Megerssa | Woreda Public communication Office | Head | 0912312464 | - |  |
| 10 | Getachew Zewde | Woreda Youth & sport Affairs Office | Expert | 0912255212 | - |  |
| 11 | Mamo Geleta (Vet.Dr.) | Woreda Livestock Agency | Head | 0912127584 | - |  |
| 12 | Debele Habebe | AGP | Focal Person | 0911098805 | - |  |
| 13 | Adane Tefera | Woreda Land & Environmental Protection Office | Head | 0911551377 |  |  |
| 14 | Dereje Derso | MWU | Lecturer | 0926938212 | derejso@gmail.com |  |
| No | **Full name** | **Organization** | **Position/Job title** | **Email Address** | **Telephone** | **Signature** |
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| 16 | Amin Abdo | Woreda Small & Micro Enterprise Office | Head | 0912094374 |  |  |
| 17 | Mestawot Taddesse | Woreda Children & Women Affairs Office | Head | 0913212702 |  |  |
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| 24 | Tigist Teshome | Ilu-Sanbitu Kebele Office of Agriculture | DA and representative of the coordinator | 0912314959 | - |  |
| 25 | Kassahun Seyoum | Woreda Cooperative Office | Head | 0920947854 | - |  |
| 26 | Ahmed Aliye | Madawalabu University | Lecturer | 0911075338 | ahmedsarc@yahoo.com |  |
| 27 | Abdulnasir Yunus | Madawalabu University | Lecturer & NRM dep’t haed | 0912145056 | nasruyunus@gmail.com |  |
| 28 | Ashenafi Mitiya | Madawalabu University | Lecturer & Agri.School Head | 0913266118 | Asnfmtk.mitiya@gmail.com |  |
| 29 | Abdulkadir Hassen | Bale Zone Office of Agriculture | Team Leader & Representative of Vice Zone Administrator and Head of Office of Agriculture | 0928004965 | - |  |
| 30 | Getachew Worku | Woreda Office of Agriculture | Head | 0913016556 | - |  |
| 31 | Abdujelil Abduro | Woreda Administration Office | Head/Administrator | 0913409751 | - |  |
| 32 | Dr. Ketema Meskela | Madawalabu University | President | 0910248725 |  |  |

## **Annex IV: IP types, purpose, activities, possible indicators of success, targets and means of verification (draft)**

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| IP Type | Purpose | Activities | Indicator | Target | Means of verification |
| Woreda Strategic Innovation Platform (WIP) | To provide strategic direction, advice, support to and learn from Kebele IPs in developing improved, technologies and practices and policies that improve food and nutritional security and generate income | Establish, support and backstop KIPs and FIPs in R&D activities | WIP established and supporting with KIPs established in two kebeles | 2 KIPs and 16 FICs in each Woreda | WIP/ Project reports |
| Facilitate research on-farm activities, linking research institutions and Universities | Number of research protocols agreed at WIP, KIP and FIP levels | Between 4-8 research protocols agreed for each KIP | WIP/ Project reports |
| Identify and link value chain actors and service providers across prioritized value chains | No of value chains identified and key actors participating in WIP and KIP activities | At least 2 value chains improved in each kebele | WIP/KIP/Project reports |
| Facilitate capacity building activities of WIP, K IP and FIP s through needs analysis and training activities | Needs analysis undertaken  Training provided in crops, livestock and NRM | At least 4 trainings provided each season |  |
| Encourage scaling out through KIP and to other kebeles where appropriate | No of households adopting new technologies in across woreda  Improvements in farm productivity and incomes  Improved household nutrition | 10% improvements on IFPRI baseline | IFPRI M&E |
| Address critical resource constraints that limit effective functioning of IP and farmer development | Woreda, NGO and private sector support provided for R&D activities | To be determined |  |
| Monitor and evaluate the activities and achievements of Kebele IPs | M&E system developed for KIP and FIP activities |  |  |
| Establish a “knowledge centre” for use by partners | Type and scale for WIP and KIP knowledge centres established with AR | To be determined |  |

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| IP Type | Purpose | Activities | Indicator | Target | Means of verification |
| Kebele Operational IP or KIP | To foster effective community participation and ownership during opportunity identification, planning implementing and learning to ensure sustainable adoption of improved technologies that meet farmers aims | Regular meetings in line with the four stage Participatory Research and Extension (PREA) cycle | Four meetings held each season with ad hoc meetings arranged as needed |  | KIP minutes of meetings |
| Community engagement and mobilization activities | Number of FIPs formed and represented on KIP | 4-8 per kebele | KIP records |
| Identifying Kebele challenges, opportunities and prioritising and encouraging farmer testing | Each FIP participating in discussions with researchers/value chain actors to agree challenges to be addressee |  |  |
| Facilitation of planning and implementation with FIPs | Number of FIPs implementing farmer trials in conjunction with researchers | 4-8 per kebele | KIP and researcher records |
| Facilitating learning events and field days with farmer groups | Number of learning events and field days held each season | 3-4 learning events for each FIP  1 field day each season | KIP records |
| Monitoring and evaluation of FIP activities | Participatory indicators to be developed with each FIP |  |  |
| Identifying and linking FIPs to value chain actors, including input suppliers, finance institutions and marketing buyers | No of value chain actors inside and outside kebele working with FIPs | Two value chains developed and working in each kebele | KIP records  Discussions with value chain actors |
| Represent and report to WIP on KIP progress identifying achievements and challenges and seeking strategic support | At least 4 KIP members from each kebele represented on WIP with feedback on FIP progress to WIP and from KIP documented |  | WIP and KIP reports |

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| P Type | Purpose | Activities | Indicators of success | Target | Means of verification |
| *Farmer Innovation clusters - FICs*  comprised of Individual farmer groups (men, women and young people), learning groups, associations or cooperatives or other community based organizations | To work together in resolving specific agricultural and natural resource problems in order to increase household production, nutrition and income | Agree challenges, opportunities and options/technologies for farmer-research testing that address challenges and opportunities identified by the Kebele IP of priority to each group including input supply, production, processing and marketing opportunities of crop, livestock and tree enterprises including NRM | FIC identified and options for testing implemented by “Lead Farmer(s)”  with support from R&D organisations | 4-8 FICs for each kebele | Kebele IP records |
| FIC selection and appointment of a “Lead Farmer” by FIP members to be responsible for farmer research-testing | Lead farmer(s) appointed using section criteria identifies by farmers | 2-3 LFs for each FIC | Discussion with each FIC |
| Lead farmer(s) implementation of agreed options/technologies | Research protocols agreed and implemented | Each FIP agrees research protocol with researchers | Discussions with each FIC |
| IC arrangement of local sharing and learning events aligned to ongoing local events or activities | No of events held | Each FIP has 3-4 learning events during each season | DA – Kebele IP |
| IC participation in Kebele IP field days to share knowledge more widely within the Kebele | No of people participating in KIP field days | Each FIC participates in one Kebele arranged IP per season | Kebele IP records |
| Assessing progress made with opportunities identified, assessing new challenges and opportunities within the FIP interest area and planning for the new season | Number of new opportunities identified and incorporated into new plans especially with regards value chain actors | Each FIC improving links with input suppliers and markets for their interest areas | Kebele IP records |
| FIP representation on Kebele IP | 2 people (1M, 1F) representing FIP on KIP | 4-8 FICs each with 2 reps on KIP | KIP records |